

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE <u>11 December 1957</u>	2. LOCATION <u>Lake City AFS, Tennessee</u>	12. CONCLUSIONS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>12/0048Z</u>	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE <u>Military</u>	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION <u>41 minutes</u>	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS <u>One</u>	9. COURSE <u>SE</u>
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Object about the size of 3 B-47 a/c in close formation. Object descending from an altitude of 13,000 ft to 11,000 ft at point of fade. Speed estimated 90 knots. Winds from NW to NNW 30-50 knots.		11. COMMENTS Inconsistent information, radar range of rptd target is not given. Object speed indicated at 90 kts yet object in sight for 41 minutes. Object at this speed would move out of range. Winds at 30 kts likely balloon as target paint. Obj moving in direction of wind.

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No radar range given

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UNCLASSIFIED/OPERATIONS INTELLIGENCE 1044. SUBJECT: UFOR REPORT

IR-6-57. REFERENCE PARAGRAPH 7D AFR 200-2. ITEM (1)(A)

ROUND, ITEM (1)(B) PEA, ITEM (1)(C) N/A, ITEM (1)(D) ONE, ITEM (1)(E)
N/A, ITEM (1)(F) PAINTED ON RADAR SCOPE ABOUT THE SIZE OF 3 B-47
TYPE AIRCRAFT IN CLOSE FORMATION. OBJECT WAS CARRIED ON SCOPE FOR
41 MINUTES DESCENDING FROM AN ALTITUDE OF ^{13,000} ENPPP FEET AT INITIAL
PICKUP TO 11,000 FEET AT POINT OF FADE. SPEED WAS ESTIMATED TO BE
93 KNOTS, ITEM (1)(G) N/A, ITEM (1)(H) N/A, ITEM (1)(I) NONE. ITEM
(2)(A) RADAR SCOPE MONITOR DETECTED OBJECT, ITEM (2)(B) 13,000 FEET,
225 DEGREES, ITEM (2)(C) 11,000 FEET 205 DEGREES, ITEM (2)(D) HEADING
WSW



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140 DEGREES, NO CHANGE OR MANEUVERS, ITEM (2)(E) FADED FROM RADAR,
ITEM (2)(F) 41 MINUTES. ITEM (3)(A) GROUND ELECTRONIC, AN/FPS-10,
ITEM (3)(B) NONE, ITEM (3)(C) N/A, ITEM (4)(A) 0007 ZULU ^{0007-7 = 1707}
^{SUN SET AT 1701}
12 DECEMBER OTU A PPRI ZULU 12 DECEMBER 1957, ITEM (4)(B) NIGHT,
ITEM 5, 36 DEG 11'N, 84 DEG 13'W, ITEM (6)(A) N/A, ITEM (6)(B) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], S/SGT, 663RD ACWRON, SURVEILLANCE SUPERVISOR, RELIABILITY
GOOD, ITEM (7)(A) WINDY WITH OCCASSIONAL SNOW FLURRIES, ITEM (7)(B) ^{Wx Conditions at} ^{that time.}
6,000 FEET, 330 DEG MINUS (30), 10,000 FEET ^{NNW} 300 DEG MINUS (30) 16,000 FEET
280 DEG MINUS (50), 29,000 FEET 280 DEG MINUS 70, 30,000 FEET 280 DEG
MINUS 70, 50,000 FEET, 250 DEG MINUS 60, 80,000 FEET, NOT AVAILABLE,
ITEM (7)(C) 3500 FEET SCATTERED, ITEM (7)(D) 75 MIEK, ITEM (7)(E)
6/10 OR LESS, ITEM (7)(F) N/A. ITEM (7) NONE, ITEM (9) NONE, ITEM (10)
NONE, ITEM (11) 1ST LT., B.E. HORTON BELIEVED TO BE SOME TYPE OF
BALLOON, ITEM (12) NONE
BT ^{Not a balloon for 41 minutes in winds of 30 knots and higher. . .}

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AFCIN - 4E-1 Comments / Conclusions:

j. Inclosure #10: Radar range of the reported target is not given.
Thus, a possible important clue is missing. The possibility of a balloon or an
unidentified aircraft cannot be ruled out completely.

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